

House Resolution No. 4031

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives hold in high esteem those Show-Me State residents who have demonstrated true dedication to bettering the quality of life for others through a sincere devotion to meeting the diverse needs of the young and the old alike; and

Whereas, Fleater Williams of Charleston attained considerable distinction during a long, productive career as an LPN at Sikeston Regional Center, a vocation from which she retired in 1987; and

Whereas, born on June 10, 1931, Fleater Williams is justifiably proud of her forty-seven-year-long marriage to Roosevelt Williams and her active participation in the Grant Avenue Seventh Day Adventist Church; and

Whereas, the adopted mother of Barry, Jimmy, Larry, Lynell, Tyshay, Wesley, and Myriah, Fleater Williams has been a loving foster mother to one hundred five children, thirty-two of whom were newborn babies when they came under her tender care and several of whom were disabled in various ways; and

Whereas, at the age of seventy-two when other people are enjoying the special opportunities and pleasures traditionally associated with retirement, Fleater Williams continues to serve young children by having three foster children and three adopted children, aged seven, eight, and nine, still living in her home; and

Whereas, Fleater Williams likewise understands that the elderly also need assistance with some of the basic demands of life, so she is an Elders Volunteer for Elders (EVE) volunteer who has seven senior citizen clients who she visits in their homes to help them with paperwork, errands, and problem solving:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the splendid record of service garnered by Fleater Williams down through the years and to convey to her this legislative body's most heartfelt commendation of the positive influence she has had on all with whom she has come into contact and our best wishes for many more successes in the future; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for presentation to Fleater Williams of Charleston, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Lanie G. Black, III
District No. 161

I, Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-second General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 4031, adopted September 10, 2003.

Catherine L. Hanaway, Speaker